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**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Laure AURELIAN et al

Conf. No.: 4258

Appln. No.: 09/992,453

Group Art Unit: 1617

Filed: November 16, 2001

Examiner: R.S. Travers

For: PREVENTION OF RECURRENT VIRAL DISEASE

**SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In the Office communication, dated March 24, 2004, the Examiner states that the reply filed on December 16, 2003, is not fully responsive to the Office Action dated November 14, 2004 (re-dated to December 4, 2003), because a species for examination was not elected.

In response, Applicants elect ICP10 $\Delta$ PK as the single disclosed antigenic compound species. Support for this species may be found at pages 15-24 of the specification. Each of the claims in Group II (elected with traverse in the Response filed December 16, 2003) are directed to the elected species.

The Examiner set an one month time period within which Applicants may supply the omission. As this Response is being filed on or before April 24, 2004, it is timely.

Respectfully submitted,

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